

Monitoring Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack

Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack PowerPack version 100

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Introduction

Overview

This manual describes how to discover a Citrix: Netscaler system and monitor NetScaler devices in Skylar One (formerly SL1) using the "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack.

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What is the Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack?

The "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack is a system that enables users to install and manage NetScaler environments via SNMP. Ensure you are running Skylar One version 12.3.1 or later before installing the "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack.

What Does the Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack PowerPack Monitor?

To monitor Citrix NetScaler ADC Base Pack systems and devices using Skylar One, you must install the "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack. This PowerPack enables you to discover, model, and collect data about Citrix NetScaler systems and devices.

The "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack includes:

- An example credential you can use as a template to create an SNMP credential to connect to the NetScaler system you want to monitor
- Dynamic Applications to discover, model, and monitor performance metrics and/or collect configuration data for NetScaler systems and devices
- · Device classes for each of the NetScaler systems and devices Skylar One monitors
- Event policies and corresponding alerts that are triggered when NetScaler systems and devices meet certain status criteria

Installing the Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base PackPowerPack

Before completing the steps in this manual, you must import and install the latest version of the "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack.

TIP: By default, installing a new version of a PowerPack overwrites all content from a previous version of that PowerPack that has already been installed on the target system. You can use the *Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection* setting in the **Behavior Settings** page (System > Settings > Behavior) to prevent new PowerPacks from overwriting local changes for some commonly customized fields. For more information, see the section on *Global Settings*.

NOTE: For details on upgrading Skylar One, see the relevant Skylar One Platform Release Notes.

To download and install the PowerPack:

- Search for and download the PowerPack from the PowerPacks page on the <u>ScienceLogic Support</u> Site (Skylar One > PowerPacks).
- 2. In Skylar One, go to the **PowerPacks** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks).
- 3. Click the [Actions] button and choose *Import PowerPack*. The **Import PowerPack** dialog box appears.
- 4. Click [Browse] and navigate to the PowerPack file from step 1.

- 5. Select the PowerPack file and click [Import]. The PowerPack Installer modal displays a list of the PowerPack contents.
- 6. Click [Install]. The PowerPack is added to the PowerPacks page.

NOTE: If you exit the **PowerPack Installer** modal without installing the imported PowerPack, the imported PowerPack will not appear in the **PowerPacks** page. However, the imported PowerPack will appear in the **Imported PowerPacks** modal. This page appears when you click the **[Actions]** menu and select *Install PowerPack*.

Chapter

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Configuration and Discovery

Overview

The following sections describe how to configure Citrix: NetScaler systems and NetScaler devices for monitoring by Skylar One using the "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack:

This chapter covers the following topics:

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Configuring an SNMP Credential for Citrix: NetScaler

The "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack requires you to configure an SNMP credential to enable Skylar One to monitor Citrix: NetScaler devices. The "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack includes an example SNMP credential that you can edit for your own use.

To create an SNMP credential:

- 1. Go to the **Credential Management** page (Manage > Credentials).
- 2. Locate the "Citrix: NetScaler Sample Credential" credential, then click its [Actions] icon (‡). Select *Duplicate* from the drop-down field. The "Citrix: NetScaler Sample Credential...copy" credential appears.
- 3. Click the **[Action]** icon (*) for the "Citrix: NetScaler Sample Credential...copy" credential. Select *Edit* and the **Edit Credential** page appears.



- 4. Enter values in the following fields:
 - Name. Type a new name for the credential. This field is required.
 - All Organizations. Toggle on (blue) to align the credential to all organizations, or toggle off (gray) and then select one or more specific organizations from the Select the organizations the credential belongs to drop-down field to align the credential with those specific organizations.
 - *Timeout*. Time, in milliseconds, after which Skylar One will stop trying to communicate with the Isilondevice. The default value is *1500*. This field is required.
 - **SNMP Version**. SNMP version. Choices are *SNMP V1*, *SNMP V2*, and *SNMP V3*. The default value is *SNMP V2*. This field is required.
 - Retries. Number of times Skylar One will try to authenticate and communicate with the
 external device. The default value is 1. This field is required.
 - *Port*. The port Skylar One will use to communicate with the external device or application. The default value is *161*. This field is required.
- 5. Click [Save & Close].

Configuring an SNMP Credential for Citrix: NetScaler in the Classic Skylar One User Interface

The "Citrix: NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack requires you to configure an SNMP credential to enable Skylar One to monitor Citrix: NetScaler devices in the classic Skylar One user interface. The "Citrix:NetScaler ADC Base Pack" PowerPack includes an example SNMP credential that you can edit for your own use.

To configure the SNMP credential for the classic Skylar One user interface:

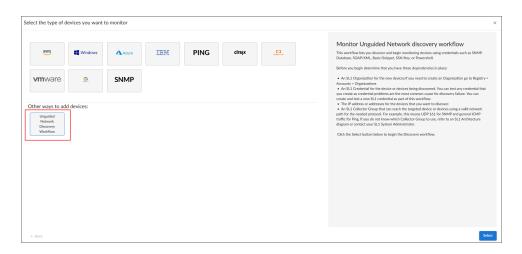
- 1. Go to the **Credential Management** page (System > Manage > Credentials.
- Locate the "Citrix: NetScaler Sample Credential" credential, and then click its wrench icon (♣). The Edit SNMP Credential modal page appears.
- 3. Update the values in the following fields:

- Name. Type a new name for the credential. This field is required.
- *Timeout*. Time, in milliseconds, after which Skylar One will stop trying to communicate with the Isilondevice. The default value is *1500*. This field is required.
- **SNMP Version**. SNMP version. Choices are *SNMP V1*, *SNMP V2*, and *SNMP V3*. The default value is *SNMP V2*. This field is required.
- **Retries**. Number of times Skylar One will try to authenticate and communicate with the external device. The default value is 1. This field is required.
- *Port*. The port Skylar One will use to communicate with the external device or application. The default value is *161*. This field is required.

Discovering Citrix: NetScaler Devices

To create and run a discovery session that will discover a Citrix: NetScaler Device:

- 1. Go to the **Devices** page () or the **Discovery Session** page (Devices > Discovery Sessions) and click the **[Add Devices]** button.
- 2. Click the **[Unguided Network Discovery Workflow]** button. Additional information about that requirements for discovery appears in the **General Information** pane to the right.



- 3. Click [Select]. The Add Devices page appears.
- 4. Complete the following fields:
 - *Discovery Session Name*. Type a unique name for this discovery session. This name is displayed in the list of discovery sessions on the [Discovery Session] tab.
 - **Description**. Optional. Type a short description of the discovery session. You can use the test in this description to search for the discovery session on the **[Discovery Session]** tab.
 - Select the organization to add discovered devices to. Select the name of the organization to which you want to add the discovered devices.
- 5. Click [Next]. The Credentials page of the Add Devices wizard appears.
- 6. On the Credentials page, locate and select the SNMP credential you created for NetScaler devices.

- 7. Click [Next]. The Discovery Session page of the Add Devices wizard appears.
- 8. Complete the following fields:
 - List of IP/Hostnames. Type the IP address for the NetScaler device.
 - Which collector will monitor these devices? Required. Select an existing collector to monitor the discovered devices.
 - Run after save. Select this option to run this discovery session as soon as you save the session.
 - Advanced options. Click the down arrow (>) to complete the following fields:
 - Discover Non-SNMP. Enable this setting.
 - Model Devices. Enable this setting.
 - Select Device Template. If you configured a NetScaler device template, select it here.
 Otherwise, leave the default selection.
- 9. If you enabled the *Run after save* option, click the [Save and Run] button. The discovery session will run and the Discovery Logs page will display any relevant log messages. If the discovery session locates and adds any devices, the Discovery Logs page will include a link to the Device Investigator page for the discovered device.
- 10. If you did not enable the *Run after save* option, click the [Save and Close] button. The **Discovery Session** page (Devices > Discovery Sessions) will display the new discovery session.

Discovering Citrix: NetScaler Devices in the Classic Skylar One User Interface

To create and run a discovery for Citrix: NetScaler devices in the classic Skylar One user interface:

- Go to the **Discovery Control Panel** page (System > Manage > Classic Discovery or System > Manage > Discovery in the classic user interface).
- Click the [Create] button to create a new discovery session. The Discovery Session Editor window appears.
- 3. Enter the following values:
 - IP Address/Hostname Discovery List. Enter the IP Address or Hostname for the Netscaler device.
 - SNMP Credentials. Select the SNMP credential version.
- 4. Click [Save].

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